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Applicant: Lester Lau

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Title: Extracellular Matrix Signalling  
Molecules

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1- 64.

Please add claims 65-74 as follows:

65. An antibody that specifically binds to a polypeptide comprising a sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:4.